

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 629

Introduced by Assembly Member Perea

February 24, 2015

An act to amend Sections 62070 and 62071 of the Food and Agricultural Code, relating to market milk.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 629, as introduced, Perea. Market milk.

Existing law authorizes the Secretary of Food and Agriculture to formulate stabilization and marketing plans that establish the prices to be paid by milk handlers for specified classes of market milk. Existing law provides that a stabilization and marketing plan may provide for, among other things, maximum charges for plant processing and transportation services, and minimum charges for the various services performed by a nonprofit cooperative association regarding class 1 market milk.

This bill would make nonsubstantive changes to the provisions regarding maximum and minimum charges, including updating a cross-reference.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 62070 of the Food and Agricultural Code
- 2 is amended to read:
- 3 62070. Each stabilization and marketing plan may further
- 4 provide for maximum charges for plant processing and

1 transportation service on the market milk or market milk
2 components ~~which~~ *that* are transported to the area where sold. The
3 stabilization and marketing plan may enumerate the applicable
4 maximum charges, and may establish individual charges for each
5 function enumerated. In establishing any ~~such~~ maximum charges
6 for ~~such~~ transportation services, the ~~director~~ *secretary* shall base
7 ~~such~~ *the* maximum charges upon the rates ~~which~~ *that* are charged
8 for actual or reasonably similar services by highway carriers, as
9 the term “highway carriers” is defined in ~~Section 3511~~ *Section*
10 *737.3* of the Public Utilities Code.

11 SEC. 2. Section 62071 of the Food and Agricultural Code is
12 amended to read:

13 62071. Each stabilization and marketing plan may provide for
14 minimum charges for the various services performed or rendered
15 by a nonprofit cooperative association ~~in~~ *with* respect to class 1
16 market milk sold or delivered to another handler. Handler services
17 include component testing for payment purposes, quality control,
18 producer payroll, *and* weighing and sampling of bulk market milk.
19 ~~Each stabilization~~ *stabilization* and marketing plan may also
20 include, but not be limited to, minimum charges for the handling
21 of intermittent or irregular deliveries of market milk and plant
22 standby services. The stabilization and marketing plan may
23 enumerate applicable minimum charges and establish individual
24 charges for each service enumerated or, in the alternative, the
25 ~~director~~ *secretary* may establish one or more minimum charges
26 covering one or more of the separate handler services.